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In re application: Daude et al.

Serial No.: 09/515,780

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For: Method and System for  
Optimally Selecting a Web Firewall in  
a TCP/IP Network§  
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Group Art Unit: 2151

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In response to the Office Action dated June 3, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Listing of the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

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